In response to your letter of February 19, I am to say that I would be very glad to meet with you at any time and consider the question of the University Preachers. As you request I outline here beneath the scheme which has occurred to me:

I should like to argue with you on several of the points mentioned in your letter of February twenty-first, concerning University Preachers. I have asked my secretary to make an appointment for you as early as possible, in order that we may take the matter into consideration.

Very truly yours,

W. B. Harper

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From my present point of view it would be a mistake to attempt to organ-
Mr. Frank. Dear:

I am sorry to write so late

but I am interested in the position you mentioned in your last letter. I am now looking for a position in the field of physical chemistry and I believe your firm is doing interesting work. I am not sure if you still have a position available or if you have any other recommendations for me. I would be most grateful if you could send me more information on the position.

Very truly yours,

W.F. Hamber
Dear President Harper:

In response to your letter of February 19, I write to say that I shall be very glad to meet with you at any time and consider the question of the University Preachers. As you request I outline herewith the scheme which has commended itself to me.

I believe that the matter can be or should be handled by machinery already in operation, and that no new organization should be created. This can be done either by suitable modification of the Christian Union or by the University Congregation. I am not quite sure that the Christian Union with the assignment of University preachershps will not have ceased to be anything more than a form. Its activities would certainly be carried on in such an indirect manner that it would be difficult to maintain any regular meetings of its executive committee. They are now in the orderly progress of affairs, purely formal, and there is little business to come before the executive committee. I am not clear whether a committee should be organized by the Christian Union, under certain proper restrictions, for the selection of the preachers and the arrangements for the service - a committee which might be called the public worship committee - or whether such a committee should be appointed by the Congregation and should report its work to the Christian Union as one of the religious organizations of the University. I see no serious objection to either mode of procedure.

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To whom it may concern,

I write to inform you of the creation of a committee to be formed in the upcoming academic year for the purpose of addressing certain issues and concerns within the university.

The committee will consist of faculty members from various departments and will be chaired by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts. Its primary functions will include reviewing and making recommendations on issues related to faculty and student welfare, as well as addressing any concerns that may arise during the academic year.

I encourage all faculty members to consider joining this committee, as it is an important opportunity to contribute to the continued success and growth of our university.

Please let me know if you are interested in being a part of this committee and if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
ize a University church, no matter by what title it might be designated, although that may be the future outcome. We ought to see first, it seems to me, whether or not the attendance at these services, the interest in them, and the good they accomplish would justify such an independent organization. I am entirely willing to be convinced on any of the matters about which I have written, for I really have no very settled opinion yet.

I return the enclosed letters which you sent me recently.

Who is to "hell the cat"?

Yours truly,

President W. R. Harper,

The University.
Rev. Lyman Abbott, from which we might select one.
Brooklyn, New York, July yours,

My dear Sir:

We have adopted the Harvard system of university preachers. I am writing to ask whether you would be willing to accept an appointment in the University for three weeks some time during the coming year? We would prefer to make it six weeks, but I take it that you could hardly get away from your work for so long a time.

The service expected would be like that at Harvard; a sermon Sunday mornings and brief chapel talks on four mornings of the week. The honorarium would be for the three weeks four hundred dollars.

We are quite sure that we can make it pleasant for you here and that there are some things in Chicago an acquaintance with which would be of interest to you. Will you not kindly permit me to recommend your name to the Trustees of the University for appointment as University Preacher; and if so, will you be good enough to let me have two or three
We have ordered the wanted material in

manufacturing department.

I am writing to make an appointment to the

banking office for nine weeks some time next week. If

you have time, you can make it a week later. We

may better to make it a week later. I will ask you to

come by and get your order. We will be glad to

work for you and help you.

The service exchange money to take home.

It is arranged in accordance with your

requests. You have time to make a trip and

visit to you. If you don't kindly don't me to

recommend your name to the President of the

University. Let us have another opportunity to

discuss two or three
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We have no soap and we have no water.

I'm writing to ask for your assistance in a matter of importance. I know that you have a way of making everything work out for the best. I'm asking you to please come to the house and see if you can help us. I know that you can probably find a way to make the situation better.

I hope that you can come as soon as possible.

Thank you very much.

[Signature]

[Date]
Dear Mr. Gale:

I investigated the matter of a room at the Club for the University preachers, but am unable to give a definite answer. This much at least is sure, that during the Summer quarter we will not need a room for the preachers. Now it will be in the Autumn quarter I cannot tell, and as the President is absent, I do not like to take the responsibility of deciding. If you have an opportunity to rent the room, perhaps you had better do so, and we will trust to possible vacancies to meet our needs. If the matter could be held open for a few days I would communicate with the President.

Very truly yours,

W. E. Harper
Mr. 

Dear Mr. Humber:

I understand the matter of a
room at the Camp for the University December, and the
possibility of a guaranty. The
people from the Union have recently
sent a message that furnishing the summer quarters are
not the issue. The guaranty is the
problem. If I need a room for the December
will I be able to move? I cannot tell, and
we the guarantee is essential. It is very
necessary to have my room. Perhaps you may
be able to assist me a bit. If you can help,
for a few days I may understand with the guaranty.

Yours truly,

W. Humber
Dear Mr. Shepardson:

The Council of the Quadrangle Club has voted to grant the use of the Club House for:

1. The Alumni Breakfast June 14th.
2. The Maternal Ball June 17th.
3. The A.B.K. Dinner June 17th.

Also, the University must have a room reserved for the Director Pedden during the Summer Quarter and next year. We are making arrangements to lease the rooms for another year and would like to know soon.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Date: June 31, 1902]
April 18th, 1906.

My dear Dr. Thomas:—

Your kind favor of the 3rd inst. was duly received. If you feel able to serve us I shall be glad to have you preach in Mandela on Sunday, August 5th. As you have been with us before I think that you understand all the details. I shall be glad, however, to write you anything further on the subject.

I am gratified to know that you are regaining your strength. I am not surprised at your judgment of Dr. Foster's book because you have read it. Many of our friends who have been the most free in their criticism have avowedly not read it; in fact one of the friends was good enough to explain that he did not need to swallow the entire Atlantic in order to know that the water was salt. I think that an intellectual attitude of that kind is really worthy of attentive
J. J.

I. I.

As you may have heard, I am writing to express my concern about the recent events. Your actions have raised serious questions about your intentions and the impact on all of us. I urge you to reconsider and take a more responsible approach. It is crucial that we maintain a balanced perspective and work towards a solution that benefits everyone.

I hope you will take this message seriously and reflect on your actions. Your decisions have significant consequences, and I believe we can find a way forward if we work together.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Date]
observation it is so unique and so suggestive. The world, however, is the same old world and we must meet it with patience and make the best of it.

Thanking you for your highly appreciative letter, and looking forward to seeing you in August, I am

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten text:]

Dear [Name],

[Handwritten text:]

The 3rd to serve us on Sunday. I think it will be so the

Best regards,

[Handwritten signature:]

[Name]
Dear Dr. Harper:

Some two years ago, Dr. Harper wrote me that I should think of coming again. But I was then suffering from my first attack. Last year we were at the Wellington Park. I was in pretty good shape for you to write. I cannot write at all filled, soon for one or more Sundays in July or August.

Dear Dr. Harper, how he suffered!

The pain was from the head and much for which to live. But the first weak was well organized with myself, I may other. To continue at the head of the department, it will continue to improve.

Dr. W. W. Thomas
533 Monroe Street
Chicago
Winter Home
DeFuniak Springs
Florida

April 3rd. 1906.
I never came to know Dr. Foster, but have used his work just as I am making both with profuse interest and satisfaction. It is strange - I yet must strange - that the mothers are making such a fuss about it. The fact is, that few if any of them are able to read it; that is; to grasp its wide-reaching meaning. I am waiting for the next week with large expectations; the way is opened for special deep work along the lines of the larger deliverance faith of the future. Please for him my love. Mrs. Thomas Jones in need. Ms. Thomas Jones in need. Marjory, I expect to meet him soon.

Afft. H. W. Thomas.
March 23rd, 1906.

Dr. D. J. Burrill,

Marble Church, New York City.

My dear Dr. Burrill:

I do not know that you will recognize my name, and am quite sure that you would not recognize my face, but I know how you would look if you should turn up here next year, and I am quite anxious to see if I am not right in the matter. The point I am trying to get at is this: We have in the University the system of University Preachers. We have a number of gentlemen who come from all parts of the country and from a great variety of churches in the course of the year. We try to arrange where we can for two or three consecutive Sundays, preferring the three wherever that is possible. Besides one sermon on each Sunday the preacher makes short addresses at the Chapel Assemblies and converses with students. It is not a lucrative position. We pay $100 a Sunday and of course entertain the preacher. This does not do more than pay expenses. We do like, however, to have our students come in contact with the leading
Amanda Smith

I find no fault with you or your work. I
know how much effort you put into
your work and I appreciate it.

Dr. D. L. Smith

M. Smith
here. I hope that you might find the stay in Chicago interesting by way of affording you an opportunity for studying the University and also the city itself and the various forms of work going on here.

Hoping that you can see your way clear to serve as one of our preachers, I am

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson
Dear, I hope that you will enjoy your stay in Chicago.

I understand your eagerness to attend the University and seize the city's attractions.

If you have any questions or need guidance, please don't hesitate to ask.

Wishing you success and health during your stay.

Best regards,

H. L. Johnson
April 21st, 1906.

Dr. David James Burrell,
The Marble Collegiate Church,
541 North Fifth Ave. and Twenty-ninth St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Burrell,

Your kind favor of the 19th inst. is at hand. I am pleased to note that you are to have an outing and wish you a most pleasant and profitable trip. I shall hold open for you one of the dates until after your return in the fall. At that time I shall hope to hear that you can favor us.

I have by no means forgotten the good old days in Minneapolis, while our lines have in many ways fallen apart in late years, at the same time I have not lost track of my old friends and wish to renew the old relations. Hoping that you sympathize in this desire and that you will find your way to visit us next year, I am,

With thanks Cordially yours,

Yours,

E. P. Judson
Dr. Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ills.

My dear Dr. Judson:

At this writing I am preparing to sail for Italy and shall not return to my parish until October 1st. In the meantime it will be decided whether I am to continue as professor of Homiletics in Princeton Theological Seminary, a position from which I have been trying to find relief. The probability is that I shall be footloose so far as that goes, in which case I might accept your kind invitation. But I realize that you want to fill the list of your University Preachers before the time of my return from the other side, so that it will be best for me to decline your invitation at this time in the hope that you may invite me again further on. It would be a great pleasure to visit the University and be, perhaps, helpful there.

I have followed you since the old days with much interest and imagine that the invitation, which you have extended, is due in a large measure to the fact that you have not wholly forgotten me. Should you ever be in New York, come in and let us gossip awhile.

With thanks and sincere regard, I am,

Yours,
MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH,
Washington Square, South, New York
Pastor: Edward Judson
Residence, 53 Washington Square, South

June 25th, 1907.

President Harry Pratt Judson
The University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear President Judson:—

I have been giving a good deal of careful consideration to your invitation received some little time ago, for me to come to you as University Preacher, some time after October first, next. You have no idea how much pleasure it gives me to receive this invitation, and my slowness in replying has been due to my very great reluctance to decline such work, especially at the University of Chicago. It is most congenial to me, and I would greatly enjoy knitting up old relations again. But as I look forward to the fall and winter, I cannot help feeling that the maturing of my plans already formed both for church work and lecturing in the Union Theological Seminary, and Colgate Divinity School, will involve so much care and effort, that I could not undertake to come to you without prejudice to these interests that lie so close to my door and bid fair to be so exigent and absorbing. I do most deeply regret that I cannot now see my way clear to make an appointment with you. If you should not fill up your schedule, and would be willing to leave a place open for me late in the year, or perhaps next summer, I might possibly come, but even of this I cannot speak with certainty. Thanking you most heartily for thinking of me in this congenial relation, and with best regards to Mrs. Judson and my friends in the University whom I sincerely congratulate on having you for President,

I remain,

Yours most sincerely,

Edward Judson.
May 12, 1906

Dear Dr. Henderson:

On mature reflection I am going to suggest, notwithstanding that you gave us the Convocation Sermon last March, that you take the same service in June. It seems peculiarly appropriate, inasmuch as the Convocation is a commemoration of Mrs. Palmer's life and work here, that you, who were her colleague and friend in those early days, should preach the sermon.

Trusting that this will not be asking too much of you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Dr. Charles Richmond Henderson,
The University of Chicago.
May 7th, 1908

Dear Mr. Hamilton:

On careful reflection I am sorry to suggest that you have not consulted Senator Joneslast week. He has since said that he takes the same position in June. It seems to me that the question of the defense of the nation's life and work force should have more public attention and study than it has received.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

Trust this note will not be sent to anyone on whom I may be

Very Faithfully yours,

[Signature]
March 3d, 1908.

My dear Dr. Henderson:—

I am loath to ask you to take on any more work. There is, however, a matter which I have long wished to consult with you about. It seems to me that the whole subject of the plans for University Preachers ought to be in the hands of a committee of which the University Chaplain should be chairman. This would involve suggesting the men with a view to their proper distribution, corresponding with them and seeing that the list is complete. If you would like to discuss this matter with me I shall be glad to see you at your early convenience.

Very truly yours,

Dr. C. R. Henderson.
My dear Dr. Henderson:

I am faire to ask you to take no more work. There is, however, a matter which I have been wishing to consult with you about. It seems to me that the whole subject of the plans for the University Press will be for the benefit of the University Committee or for the benefit of the University. This money, therefore, seems to me with a view to certain proper distribution, correspondence with whom you may receive that the latter is complete. If you would like to discuss this matter with me I shall be glad to see you at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Dr. C. R. Henderson.
Union Church,
Dr. Frank Crane, Minister,

4 January 1909.

My dear Dr. Judson:

Something is on my mind to write to you. I do not understand diplomacy nor politics. So you will have to overlook whatever of poor taste or gauche that may be in what I say.

Bluntly it is this: If those in control of the University of Chicago should find it desirable to have a resident University Preacher, to preach when called upon, to represent the University, ...
in the pulpits of the various denominations upon occasion, to be a friend and spiritual helper to the students when they are in need of such friendly and intimate counsel, and generally to be a voice to the deep distinctly spiritual purpose and meaning of the Univerity. I should like to be that man.

Though I should bring to such a task great doubts as to my personal worth and qualifications, yet I should certainly bring also a deep love for the work, the field and the environment.

This may be all aside from the state of facts in the University, so entirely impractical. But I submit it to you, my feeling, such as it exists. I have resigned my pastorate here, to take effect Sept 1, 1909. I should not be consistent in seeking divine guidance, as I do pray for it relative to my future, did I not at the same time seek to follow whatever impulse comes to me that may lead me into further usefulness as a minister.
Accept, my dear doctor, the renewal of the thanks I have already expressed to you by word of mouth, for the cordiality of my reception by the University people.

Allow yourself no embarrassment because of this letter. Merely file it. If he who disposed events wishes me in the University, I shall be glad. If elsewhere, I shall try to do my work there well, where it may be.

Cordially,

Frank Crane
very much your service here as University Preacher, and shall
look forward another year to renewing it.

With cordial regards and every best wish for your prosperity,
I am,

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson
January 11, 1909

My dear Dr. Crane:

I was much interested in your suggestion under
date of January 7th. We, in point of fact, already have such an
officer as you suggest in the person of the University Chaplain.
It is his business to do exactly the things which you wisely point
out as desirable on the part of a permanent University Preacher.
This in fact has been the arrangement with the University from the
first. I am much interested in your suggestion, and am only sorry
that there is no opening which would make it possible for us to
consider it.

I noted in the paper the other day an announcement of your
resignation from the Worcester pastorite. I hope it will open a
way to a larger field of usefulness, for which I am sure your gifts
will eminently fit you. If in any way I can be of service in this
matter I know that you will be free to command me. We appreciated
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Rev. Frank Crane, D. D., If in any way I can be of service in this
Worcester, Massachusetts.

writer I know that you will be free to command me. So appreciated,
April 13, 1909

My dear Mr. Peabody:

As University Preacher, the University is expecting you to preach in Mandel Hall Sunday AM, the 18 and 25. The University Preacher at 10:45 o'clock meets with the choir in the Cloister leading to Mandel Hall. There he receives from the Director of Music the cap and gown which he is to wear. Of course if you prefer to bring your own cap and gown you will do so. The choir in cap and gown forms in the cloister; the Preacher follows the choir. When the procession reaches the foot of the platform the choir parts and the Preacher passes up to the platform, the choir following. The order of service is apparent in the enclosed programme. We use as a hymnal "In Excelsis". If you desire to name the hymns for your service, will you let me have the names of your selections within the weeks of the date of the first engagement, so that I may report the same to the Director of Music? The hymnal has in it a Psalter from which the Preacher chooses the responsive readings for the day. The Preacher chooses also the scripture readings. There is a pulpit desk with a light upon it; the top of the desk is adjustable. Mandel Hall seats 1159 persons. The hall is a very easy one in which to speak. The audience is likely to be composed largely of neighbors, as
many of the students go home over Sunday, the proportion perhaps half and half. The average congregation is about six hundred. At the end of the service the choir passes out singing the recessional, the Preacher follows; the audience remains seated until the choir has sung the "Amen".

During the intervening weeks you will be called upon to make brief addresses as follows:

Monday, Junior College Men, Mandel Assembly Hall, 10:30 to 11:00
Tuesday, Senior College men and women " 10:30 to 11:00
Wednesday, Divinity School, Haskell " 10:30 to 11:00
Thursday Junior College men, Mandel " 10:30 to 11:00

In each chapel assembly a brief ritual occupies about ten minutes. This is conducted by the appropriate Dean, or by the University Chaplain. The Preacher has then about ten or twelve minutes for a brief address. This address is usually ethical in character. Attendance of students is required, except at the Divinity School meetings. This explains perhaps why most of our chapel assemblies happen to have this ethical tone.

The University Preacher usually keeps an office hour from eleven to twelve o'clock, for the purpose of meeting students who may desire to discuss various topics with him. The Preacher's office is on the first
many of the rectangles the home of the county, the proportion being that
and then the veranda connected as part of the house. The practical
of the various the control because one of the reasons the floorplan
follows: the entrance remains constant with the control and the "map."

During the internation week you will be called upon to make
part of the plan as follows:

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Tuesday: Senior College New Manual Assembly Hall 10:30 to 11:00
Wednesday: Divinity School New Manual Assembly Hall 10:30 to 11:00
Thursday: Junior College New Manual Assembly Hall 10:30 to 11:00

In each of the assembly a short history of architecture was
ministered. This is connected with the history of the university.
Chapter: The President introduces you to some of the important points of
address. The address is usually delivered in the Assembly Hall.

Therefore, when you visit the Divinity School you can see

The University Pastor usually keeps an office open from
afternoon to seven o'clock for the purpose of meeting students who may
want to discuss various topics with him. The President's office is on the first
floor.
floor of Cobb Hall.

Apart from these duties, the Preacher is often invited to attend social affairs within the University. The Y. M. C. A. may desire his presence at a reception or other meeting. Perhaps one of the Women's Halls may be receiving, and may invite the Preacher and his wife to attend such reception. While these social engagements the Preacher is at liberty to regard or disregard as he pleases, the University is always glad to have the visiting Preacher enter into the life of the University by accepting these invitations.

May I remind you that the Preacher's Room in Hitchcock Hall is at your disposal while in Chicago. This room is always ready for use of the University Preacher, and we shall be glad to have you occupy it during your stay, or any time you are with us. And if you will notify me of the time of your arrival I shall be very pleased to meet you.

Yours very truly,

D. A. Roberson
Secretary to the President
Secretary to the President.

The Rev. Francis G. Peabody,
Harvard University,
Cambridge, Mass.
Dear Professor [Name],

Apart from these official invitations, the University is also very much interested in the possibility of receiving a number of guest speakers who might be able to attend the upcoming event. It would be greatly appreciated if you could provide us with any information or suggestions you might have regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

Secretary to the President

The Rev. Professor [Name],

Assistant University Secretary,

C. M. P. J. C. M. O.
May 24, 1909.

My dear Mr. Bitting:

I have received from the President to-day a letter urging me to write you "imperatively" concerning the Convocation sermon June 13. The President is very eager to have you come up to Chicago for this occasion. This is to be the sermon of the year with us, and he wants it done properly. He has been delayed in making arrangements for the sermon, because not until yesterday did we know definitely who was to be Convocation Orator. At this service all candidates for degrees and titles are present, in cap and gown, also members of the faculties. The Convocation sermon is preceded by the Convocation prayer service, at which the University Preacher is guest. The program of the prayer service I am enclosing, also a program of the religious exercises, with which you are already familiar.

If you can come up to Chicago with Mrs. Bitting, I am sure the President would be glad to have you stay over Tuesday, and take in all the functions of that season. If, however, you are unable to come up for more than Sunday, I think he would be very grateful for that service, though it permits no great opportunity to indicate the appreciation of the University in your visiting us at this time.

Any other details I shall be glad to send you. Please wire, at my expense, your decision, so that I may include your name on the preliminary program.

Yours very truly,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President

Rev. W. C. Bitting, D. D.,
5109 McPherson Avenue,
St. Louis, Mo.
May 3rd, 1945

I have received from the President a letter making me to write you. In connection, I have sent the communication which you have received. I am to write you a few words. The President to many schools to allow you to change your own attendance. I have to write to you the reason of the reason with me, and to want to give a subsequent. He has been afraid to make you an announcement. You the reason to be a person of the participation and not to write you. But I have not written anything, and we know it.

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St. Louis, Mo. May 25th, 1909.

Mr. David A. Robertson,
President's Office,
University of Chicago.

My dear Mr. Robertson:

I telegraphed you this morning as follows:
"Impossible to accept. Am very sorry.
Letter explains."

I assure you that it costs me a great deal to send the telegram. I am more than anxious to do anything in the world that President Judson wants me to do. It always delights me to serve him in any possible way.

However, the circumstances are that I have made all my engagements to leave St. Louis June 14th for Portland, Oregon, stopping at the Yellowstone Park on the way. This means that June 13th would be the last Sunday in my pulpit, and because of this fact that I shall leave my work here two Sundays earlier than usual, I cannot possibly accept this urgent invitation without both taking off an additional Sunday from my church work here, and closing my season's work the first Sunday in June, which would take me away from this city until the first Sunday in September, and also surrendering my trip to the Yellowstone Park on the way to Portland. This latter matter will inconvenience others than myself who have made arrangements to go with me.

On account of this arrangement I have also had to decline the invitation from Washington University of this city to make the Commencement address June 17th.

Please tell Pres. Judson how very sorry I am that I cannot come to him in this emergency. I am sure he will easily appreciate the situation. I do not want ever to decline to do anything he asks me to do, but this request comes to me in such circumstances that I cannot possibly accept it.

Yours sincerely,

W. C. BITTING

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Chicago, April 17, 1912.

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With sincere regards,

Very truly yours,

Chairman of the Committee on University Preachers.

Dr. Samuel McChord Crothers,
Cambridge, Mass.
Cambridge must be forwarded.

At present I am in the state of mind which comes with the second month in Rome, when the enormous dump of ignorance is thrust upon him, and the very stones cry out against his lack of information.

Sincerely yours

Samuel M. Brothers
Chicago, April 17, 1912.

My dear Dr. Crothers:-

I am writing you at Cambridge and sending you a duplicate to Rome so that we cannot possibly escape you.

We have you down at the University for February 9th and 16th, 1913. On the evening of February 9th you will speak at the Sunday Evening Club. We are exceedingly obliged to you for coming over to our Macedonia.

Your few lines about Rome stir up my wanderlust. The first time I was in Rome I was there for about ten days and knew it all. The next time I was there for six weeks and found I did not know anything. The next time I was so blissfully conscious of my ignorance I learned quite a lot.

With sincere regards,

Very truly yours,

Chairman of the Committee on University Preachers.

SM-D

Dr. Samuel McChord Crothers,

Cambridge, Mass.
I am writing you at Cambridge and Cambridge.

You have a opportunity to come so that we can meet personally because you
have you gone to the University for Perpetual 4th and 16th of June.
We are extremely interested in you who will speak at
the Sunday Evening Club.

We are extremely interested in you who will speak at
the Sunday Evening Club.

Your letter from your most affectionate, Muriel.

The first time I was in Rome in 1926 I was very much interested and knew
it all. The next time I was there I went to the nearest every town and found
it to my satisfaction. The next time I was so fascinated by the

With sincere regards,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
April 30, 1913.

Mr. David A. Robertson,
Secretary to the President,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Robertson:

I have your letter about the service at the University on Sunday. I will be coming from Cleveland, leaving probably on Friday night, and will get to Chicago on Saturday morning. In any case I will be there in good time. It won't be necessary for anyone to meet me as I know my way about. I will come to Hitchcock Hall.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Redacted]
Chicago, April 26, 1913.

Rev. Hugh Black, D.D.
Union Theological Seminary,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Black,

The University of Chicago Religious Service is held at 11 o'clock in Leon Mandel Assembly Hall, 57th Street and Lexington Avenue. I enclose last Sunday's programme. You will note that the responsive reading as well as the scripture reading will be chosen by yourself. It is not usual for a member of the University Faculties to participate in the service. I will have cap and gown in readiness for you if you so desire.

The preacher follows the choir in procession to the foot of the platform where the choir dividing allows the preacher to ascend to the pulpit where he remains standing until the choir has taken its place. Removing his cap he then begins the invocation. At the conclusion of the opening prayer he and the choir are seated a moment in order to permit the ushers to seat late comers. The preacher then
announces the hymn. In recesion the preacher follows
the choir.

Leon Mandel Hall seats 1143 people.
The congregation is likely to number about 600 -
members of the University and neighbours. Because
40% of our students live in and about Chicago the
attendance is not so large as we often wish. The
audience is a University audience. The Hall is an
easy one in which to speak. The pulpit is provided
with a light and if you so desire a pulpit with an
adjustable top can be used so that you can read your
sermons. The bible used is the revised version. The
responses to the readings in the hymnal are also from
the revised version.

I trust that you will enjoy your stay
in Hitchcock Hall where you will find the preacher's
room prepared for you.

Sincerely yours

Secretary to the President.
December 12, 1921

My dear Mr. President,

I make the following suggestions relative to preachers:

1. That we divide them into two classes -
   
   Class A, preachers who live within the zone
   Rochester to Omaha

   Class B, preachers who live outside that zone.

2. That we pay Class A preachers $75 per Sunday, and
   $10 per chapel; that we pay Class B preachers $100 for preaching
   a single Sunday or $200 for two Sundays and intermediary chapels,
   or $100 for a single Sunday and $10 per chapel.

   You will notice this will figure out that if men were
   here for two Sundays, they would all get $200 as at present, with
   which amount I think there is no complaint. If a Class A preacher
   were here for one Sunday and chapels, he would get a maximum of
   $125 for his services; if a Class B preacher were here for one
   Sunday and the chapels, he would get a maximum of $150. That is to
   say, we are making a flat rate of $75 for one Sunday with an allowance
   of $25 additional expense to men in Class B.

   Very truly yours,

   [Signature]

   President Harry Pratt Judson
   Harper Memorial Library
December 16, 1921.

My dear Mr. Mathews:

I am glad to learn that you have a meeting of your committee and get their judgment on the matter.

1. I yours of the 14th Instant is received.

The plan impresses me at the outset as a reasonable one. May I ask that you have a meeting of Class B, preachers who live outside that zone. Rochester to Omaha.

2. That we pay Class A preachers $75 per Sunday, and $10 per chapel; that we pay Class B preachers $150 for preaching a single Sunday or $200 for two Sundays and intermediate chapels, or $100 for a single Sunday and $10 per chapel.

Mr. Shailer Mathews,
The Divinity School,
here for you Sundays, they would all get $500 as at present, with which amount I think there is no complaint. If a Class A preacher were here for one Sunday and chapel, he would get a maximum of $125 for his services; if a Class B preacher were here for one Sunday and the chapel, he would get a maximum of $150. That is to say, we are making a flat rate of $75 for one Sunday with an allowance of $25 additional expense to men in Class B.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

December 17, 1921

President Harry Pratt Judson
Harper Memorial Library
December 18, 1937

My dear Mr. Superintendent,

You are at the first instance in receipt of the plan presented to you as a proposal. I am one who in your place have a married wife and a family dependent on the income. Yours sincerely,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mr. Superintendent

The Divisional Council

[Date: 18 December 1937]
My dear Mr. President:

The meeting of the Committee on Public Religious Services was held this morning. We have the following recommendations to make:

1. that the plan proposed by me to you, relative to payment for chaplains be adopted. This plan establishes the following scale:

   1. Preachers from inside the zone Rochester - Omaha . . $75 per Sunday and $10 per chapel

   2. Preachers outside the above zone . . . . . $100 per Sunday and $10 per chapel, except that if they preach two Sundays the maximum shall be $200 for the two Sundays and the intervening chapels

2. that, in order to stabilize the Budget, as well as for the purpose of utilizing our own faculty members in Mandel services, two preachers each quarter be selected from the Faculties of the University. The following names were suggested with the request, if this meets with your approval, that you indicate those to be selected:

Ames,
Burton,
Butler,
Davis,
Fisher,
Mathews,
McCintock,
Small,
Smith, G. B.
Soares,
Tufts.

Sincerely yours,

S.M.H.

President H. P. Judson,
University of Chicago
December 29, 1921

January 27, 1922.

My dear Mr. Mathews:

The meeting of the Committee on Public Relations
I regret not to have acknowledged promptly
services was held this morning. We have the following recommendations to make:

1. That the scale proposed by me to you relative to payment for chaplains
   or payment for preachers. This, I understand to be

be adopted. The plan establishes the following scale:

as unanimous expression of opinion of the entire com-

1. Preachers from inside the zone Rochester - Omaha $75 per

2. Sunday and $10 per chapel.

3. I note the suggestion as to preaching by

Dr. Henderson was here that he preach once each Quarters.

As Dr. Soules is at present holding the same position

of utmost importance for the members in central position, two preachers each

quarter. He might get from the Faculty of the University. The following

at the outset I would have several members of the Faculty,

as many as four perhaps, on the list. In the other

Quarters I would use the Faculty list for emergencies.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Shailer Mathews,
The University of Chicago.

HPJ:CB
Tufts.

University yours,

President R. P. Salton,
University of Chicago.
The year of 1936:

I beg to refer you to the resolution that was adopted by the Senate of the State of Pennsylvania in regard to the same

with the same expression of opinion as the entire com-

mittee.

I note the resolution as to homestead

member of the Senate. It may go to a time when

the homestead may have that pre-eminent place which

it does in the present statute. I am afraid, however, that among the people and the farmers the homestead is

not nearly so well known. I have a great many member of the Senate,

as much as their desire to do the thing they desire

greatly I want you to see the necessity for the command

work that has the support.
Chicago, February 26, 1915

Dear Mr. Gilkey:

The President has decided that in future any bills contracted by the University Preachers at either the University Club or the Quadrangle Club shall be paid by the preachers and not by the University. I have notified the two clubs to this effect.

In case of any charges incurred in the use of the Hitchcock Breakfast Room the bill may be sent to this office.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to Mr. Robertson.

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Mr. Charles W. Gilkey
The University of Chicago.
My dear Mr. Barnes:

I should like to argue with you on several of the points mentioned in your letter of February twenty-first, concerning University Preachers. I have asked my Secretary to make an appointment for you as early as possible, in order that we may take the matter into consideration.

Very truly yours,

W. E. Harper
Mr. Dear Mr. President:

I should like to move with you on the subject of the points mentioned in your letter of Twenty_Gentleman, I have made a Secretary to make an appointment for you on early as possible. To other the matter into consideration.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Dear President Harper:

In response to your letter of February 19, I write to say that I shall be very glad to meet with you at any time and consider the question of the University Preachers. As you request I outline herewith the scheme which has commended itself to me.

I believe that the matter can be or should be handled by machinery already in operation, and that no new organization should be created. This can be done either by suitable modification of the Christian Union or by the University Congregation. I am not quite sure that the Christian Union with the assignment of University preacherships will not have ceased to be anything more than a form. Its activities would certainly be carried on in such an indirect manner that it would be difficult to maintain any regular meetings of its executive committee. They are now in the orderly progress of affairs, purely formal, and there is rarely any business to come before the executive committee. I am not clear whether a committee should be organized by the Christian Union, under certain proper restrictions, for the selection of the preachers and the arrangements for the service — a committee which might be called the public worship committee — or whether such a committee should be appointed by the Congregation and should report its work to the Christian Union as one of the religious organizations of the University. I see no serious objection to either mode of procedure.

I think the service should be held in the afternoon. I believe that putting the service in the morning would needlessly antagonize the local religious organizations, and in that antagonism the more remote churches would sympathize.

From my present point it would be a mistake to attempt to organ-
Dear President Hedges:

In response to your letter of February 21, I write to say that I feel it would be best for me to reserve any final decision until the information we have received on the situation regarding the\n
...union and the possibility of the university being closed. In light of these circumstances, I believe it would be wise to take the necessary precautions to ensure the safety of the students and faculty. I understand the challenges involved in making such decisions, and I appreciate the efforts being made to address the situation.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
ize a University church, no matter by what title it might be designated, though that may be the future outcome. We ought to see first, it seems to me, whether or not the attendance at these services, the interest in them, and the good they accomplish would justify such an independent organization. I am entirely willing to be convinced on any of the matters about which I have written, for I really have no very settled opinion yet.

I return the enclosed letters which you sent me recently.

Who is to "hewl the cat"?

Yours truly,

President W. R. Harper,

The University.